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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The trade sentiment for whole turkeys remained generally steady, instances weak on toms. Demand and trading fair. Offerings available to adequate for trade needs. Parts and bulk meat trading light to moderate. Inquiry fairly good, but purchasing of product slow to develop. The general market trend for parts and meats steady to barely steady.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand moderate. Trading light. Most inquiry centering on tom drums, thigh meat, and mechanically separated turkey. Offerings adequate.



WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **FEBRUARY 08, 2000**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	55-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-59.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	55-60.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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EASTERN REGION 3/	60-63	62.25	62.25	200	-	-	-	1800	FEB-MAR
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	61	61.00	15	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-63	61	61.00	26	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	55-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	55-59.5	58-59	58.43	35	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	55-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 08 FEBRUARY 2000.

Trade sentiment on tom 2-joint wings steady to barely steady with some industry members starting to indicate increased confidence as inventories start to become better balanced. Hen 2-joint wings, however, continue to demonstrate weakness with plentiful offerings noted. Some inquiry noted in the East for multiple loads of 4-8 lb. breasts. Offerings of tom full-cut wings mixed with some looking for bids. Export demand and trading continues to center on drums. Some have also received increased inquiry from Russia and Asia for full-cut wings, mechanically separated turkey and thigh meat.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	101.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		T	129.00	11
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	96.00		96.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	19.00-26.00		19.55	49
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00-26.00		24.35	123
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	28.00		28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	23.00-25.00		24.93	83
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	31.00		31.00	160
NECKS, TOM	16.00		16.00	6
NECKS, HEN	16.00		16.00	3
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	150.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	142.71	280
THIGH MEAT	60.00		60.00	3
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		M	60.71	35
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	109.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		R	67.00	20
TENDERLOINS		F	113.00	10
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	130.00	200
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		M	131.33	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	42.75	240
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	15.00	10
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	14.61	230
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	18.00-19.00		18.84	248
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	19.50		19.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	21.50	208
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	13.00	22
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	59.33	120

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	82-90
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	82-90
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66-68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	65-66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-73

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	93-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	94-105

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 09 FEBRUARY 2000.

Trade sentiment on tom drums improved in parts of the area with buyers starting to note offerings not as readily available when compared to previous weeks and some sellers starting to ask higher prices. Tom full-cut wing trade sentiment steady to instances weak with a few sellers looking for bids. Demand light on tom full-cut wings for the adequate to sometimes burdensome supplies. Undertone on thigh meat generally steady. Some sellers in the Midwest are expressing increased confidence in frozen thigh meat and are attempting to raise their offering prices while buyers note spot availability in the East at lower trending price levels. Breast meat seller sentiment steady to fully steady.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	96.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		W	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	21.00		21.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	24.35	123
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	24.93	83
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	36.00		36.00	80
NECKS, TOM	16.00		16.00	40
NECKS, HEN		T	16.00	3
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	147.00		147.00	120
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	140.00-143.00		142.13	320
THIGH MEAT		T	60.00	3
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		M	60.71	35
BREAST TRIM MEAT	107.50-108.00		107.67	120
SCAPULA MEAT		R	67.00	20
TENDERLOINS	112.00-113.00		112.50	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	127.00		127.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	132.00		132.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	42.75	240
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	15.00	10
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	14.61	230

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.00-24.00		20.51	252
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		T	19.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	21.50	208
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00-17.00		13.45	176
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	58.00-62.00		58.67	300

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 02/09/00

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
1999-2000	1,338	184,939	185,289
1998-1999	-	293,994	294,344